## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

 Giuseppe CAPUTO
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CYANIN-TYPE COMPOUNDS HAVING AN ALKYNYL LINKER ARM

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

## VIA EFS WEB

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to a Final Office Action dated November 10, 2008 please consider the accompanying remarks which are believed to traverse the rejection.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.